CITY OF RIVERSIDE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Implementation Plan Final Report



Exhibit 3

OVERVIEW

In addition to the General Plan being designed as an action oriented document, a separate Implementation Plan (Implementation Plan Figure A – Implementation Plan) has also been prepared to provide tools and identify responsibilities for achieving the objectives and policies of the general Plan. The implementation tools identify funding sources and responsible agencies and City departments to complete the actions.

The Implementation Plan is Appendix A of the General Plan and will be used as the basis for future strategic planning and prioritization of assignments for City departments. The proposed Implementation Plan represents some general tools for implementing the General Plan. In addition the Plan includes tools for the Housing, Noise and Open Space Elements as required by State law.

In order to facilitate its use for citywide strategic planning purposes in the future, it is recommended that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for the General Plan 2025 Program reconvene to add to, and prioritize, the draft tools for this Implementation Plan. Refinements to the Implementation Plan should coincide with the City Council's priorities for economic development, growth and annexations, transportation and neighborhoods and livable communities.

RECOMMENDED CHANGES

1. **Amend Tool #10.**

As noted in the General Plan Staff report, in regard to Staff Area D1, Tool #10 should be amended as follows:

Coordinate the General Plan land use designations within the City's sphere plan with the County's RCIP. Particular emphasis should be placed on the Highgrove area including community meetings with the Highgrove Community Services Area Committee.

2. Add Tool #31 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Place a high priority on having trail on Figure PR-1 – Parks, Open Space and Trails Map places into GIS for accuracy.

3. Add Tool #32 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Review the need and feasibility of creating fuel modification zones for fire breaks in areas where needed.

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4. Add Tool #33 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Place all Metropolitan Water District properties located within the City and the sphere in the PF-Public Facilities/Institutional general plan designation as requested by the Metropolitan Water District (Implementation Plan Figure B – Metropolitan Water District Letter).

5. Add Tool #34 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Amend the Subdivision Code, upon adoption, to add street and trail standards to Chapter 18.210 "Development Standards" (page V-59 – V-67).

6. Add Tool #35 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Consider a "certification" program which would mean that neighborhood associations would have to meet certain criteria to include the group having bylaws (which would include regular elections, regular meeting schedules, provisions for being inclusive, nonpolitical, etc.). A Planning Commissioner asked how a neighborhood becomes certified as noted in Tool #29. Development through the Office of Neighborhoods has neighborhood groups (which includes Neighborhood Watch, social clubs, community action groups, etc.) that are "registered," but they do not have a "certification" program in place. However, there is interest in moving forward with a "certification" program.

7. Add Tool #36 under "Overarching Implementation Tools" as follows:

Prepare guidelines for cultural villages for the Citywide Design Guidelines.

8. Add Tool OS-45 under "Open Space and Conservation Element" as follows:

Add a figure to the Open Space Element which will delineate areas where waters of the State and possibly waters of the U.S. would be impacted or lost by any projects involving dredge and fill activities. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board has provided detailed maps of these areas with their letter regarding this matter (Implementation Plan Figure C – California Regional Water Quality Control Board Letter).

9. Expand Tool H-13 to refer to all schools not just universities.

EXHIBITS

- 1. Implementation Plan Figure A Implementation Plan
- 2. Implementation Plan Figure B Metropolitan Water District Letter
- 3. Implementation Plan Figure C California Regional Water Quality Control Board Letter

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